



Dear Farmers & Friends,

As we deal with the unprecedented times we find ourselves in due to COVID-19, the crew at SMADC is working hard to keep you informed and updated, as news and resources pertaining to the agricultural community surface. We have created a page on our website for both farmers and consumers to find relevant information and resources, and we hope its many links and connections will be useful to you.

As we know, agriculture as an industry has been declared essential for both services and personnel, by local, state, and federal authorities. Our farmers, producers, and supporting agribusinesses are putting in long hours to ensure the safety and accessibility of food for all consumers, and we commend them heartily for their efforts. Please seek them out on the local foods map link on the webpage – currently over 500 farms, farm stands, farmers' markets, and local small markets in 5 Mid-Atlantic states have been designated as places to purchase fresh, safe, and local food and beverage items during this time.

We will continuously update our resources page, and if there is something you would like to see added to it, please email us at info@smadc.com. Please also follow along on our Facebook page for updates there as well.

We wish everyone safety and health as we move through this difficult time, and we have great faith in the durability of our agricultural and food communities to come together to support and endure.

Best Regards,

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